

Town of Hanover Conservation Commission
Hanover Town Hall, 550 Hanover St.,
2nd Floor Meeting Room

MINUTES for Wednesday, January 6, 2016

Approved 02-03-16

Those Members and Staff Present: Lisa Satterwhite, Vice Chair (Acting Chairman); Frank Brierley, Hearing Officer; and Brian McLoone, Commissioner; Justin Shepard, Associate Member (7:05 pm); Amy Walkey, Conservation Agent; Sandra MacFarlane, Ass't Conservation Agent.

Those Members not present: Lou Paradis, Chairman; Commissioner William Woodward
Others: as per attached list

6:30 PM The Chair Satterwhite opened the meeting and made the following announcements:

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS & DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. Next Scheduled Meetings- January 20 and February 3, 2016 - 2nd Flr Mtg. Room @ 6:30 pm
2. Any person audio or videotaping this hearing must notify the Chairman at this time.

II. ACTION ITEMS:

1. Certificates of Compliance:
 - a. SE 31-1034, 46 Nash Landing
Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and McLoone, it was voted 3-0-0 to issue a Certificate of Compliance.

7:00 PM

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. **BL 15-49, 23 Old Barn Rd.-** NOI- *for inground pool in BZ to BVW and w/i vernal pool habitat*

PRESENT: Joshua Bows, PE, Merrill Corp., Applicant's Representative;

DISCUSSION: The Commission reviewed a plan for the installation of an inground swimming pool, retaining wall, and pool patio surround. Due to a significant increase to the area of an on-site Bordering Vegetated Wetland (BVW), relocation out of the BVW is requested for a conservation setback marker required under a previous Order, SE 31-703. To keep consistent with fences on abutting properties, the Applicant requests relocation of an existing fence to a position of 16 ft. from the BVW.

7:05 PM- Associate Member Shepard arrived.

Mitigation includes creation of a 117 sq. ft. area of pervious gravel for a portion of the driveway and the replacement of all damaged restoration plantings required with the SE 31-703 Order. Regarding a perpetual condition listed on the Certificate of Compliance for SE 31-703, Mr. Bows pointed out that due to the increased wetland area, the setbacks can no longer be met. Mr. Bows will submit a revised plan showing a reduction to and repositioning of the pool and relocation of the patio surround and retaining wall. In addition, a revised Mitigation Plan that has been reviewed by wetland specialist Brad Holmes, will be submitted.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and McLoone, it was voted 3-0-0 to continue the hearing to January 20, 2016 at 7 PM.

2. **BL 15-53, 132 Spring St.-** RDA- *for resource area delineation/determination of pond status*

PRESENT: Brad Holmes, WS, Environmental Restoration and Consulting, Inc., Applicant's Representative

DISCUSSION: Mr. Holmes explained that although DEP maps indicate a potential vernal pool at this site, the ponded area has the characteristics of a pond, not a vernal pool. The Commission reviewed photos of species found in the pond and letters from current and past

neighbors indicating that the pond remains throughout the year. Applicant McSharry requested that peer review not be required and for the Commission to accept ECR's report as final. The Commission required additional information.

VOTE: Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners McLoone and Brierley, it was voted 3-0-0 to continue the hearing to January 20, 2016 at 7 PM.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Agent's Report – The Agent reported that she is working with the new owner of 26 Davis St. regarding a violation of the Order of Conditions. Also that she has been working closely with the Open Space Committee and that they will be scheduled on the next agenda.
2. Minor Acts Permits- none
3. Minutes- 12/16/15- Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners Brierley and McLoone, it was voted 3-0-0 to approve the minutes.
4. Correspondence- Reviewed without comment.
5. Other: *Those items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair within 48 hours of the meeting.* None

8:30 PM Upon a motion and second made by Commissioners McLoone and Satterwhite it was voted 3-0-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:
Sandra D. MacFarlane,
DMI Asst. Conservation Agent,
Conservation Office.



Documents provided at meeting:

- 1/06/16 agenda
- RDA application packet- 132 Spring St.
- Photographs- pond conditions, Lillian Turner, 132 Spring St.
- 1/6/16 Environmental Letter Rpt.- ECR
- 1/5/16 E-mail correspondence- Annette Mercurio, 87 Anthony Rd., Weymouth, MA
- 1/2/16 letter- Paul Carroll, 208 Spring St.
- NOI application packet- 23 Old Barn Rd.
- 12/02/15 draft minutes